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Dear OSHA:

Environmental tobacco smoke puts nonsmokers at risk for developing premature death and disease. It is unfair to expose nonsmokers to this proven health hazard in their workplace when they have no choice but to tolerate such a deadly environment. ETS contains 43 carcinogens and kills approximately 50,000 Americans each year.

The Occupational Safety & Health Act of 1970 states that "All employers must furnish to employees employment and a place of employment free from recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious harm to employees."

By making all workplaces smoke free, you are guaranteeing all employees healthier working environments while protecting the majority of Hoosiers (73%) from the 27% of Hoosiers who do smoke.

The new standard you are considering for indoor air quality is one of the most important decisions you can make. I have confidence that you will do the right thing by making all workplaces smoke free.

Cordially,

(City, State, Zip)

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